SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 781

By Overbey

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Jeremy Heilig upon being selected the Boys and Girls Club of the Smoky Mountains Youth of the Year.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such estimable person is Jeremy Heilig, who was recently named the 2016 Boys and Girls Club of the Smoky Mountains Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, a student at Pigeon Forge High School, Jeremy has been a member of the Boys and Girls Club of the Smoky Mountains for eight years and was also selected as the 2015 BGC of the Smoky Mountains Youth of the Year; and

WHEREAS, the Boys and Girls Clubs exist to serve youth and to be safe places of encouragement, character building, security, and love for children; and

WHEREAS, since 1947, the Youth of the Year has been the Boys and Girls Clubs of America's premier recognition program, celebrating the extraordinary achievements of club members; and

WHEREAS, Youth of the Year participants embody the values of leadership, service, academic excellence, and healthy lifestyles; and

WHEREAS, Youth of the Year participants like Jeremy Heilig exemplify the critical impact of Boys and Girls Clubs on the lives of young people; and

WHEREAS, through the Youth of the Year program, Jeremy and other Youth of the Year participants are able to showcase their talents and achievements, share their hopes and dreams, and work toward a bright and positive future; and

WHEREAS, Jeremy Heilig is a shining example that GREAT FUTURES START HERE— at the Boys and Girls Clubs; and

WHEREAS, the success of this State, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people like Jeremy Heilig, who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others and who should be specially recognized for their public and community service; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor and commend Jeremy Heilig upon being named the 2016 Boys and Girls Club of the Smoky Mountains Youth of the Year and extend to him our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.